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PUBLIC MEETING == COLBERT LANDFILL

The Department of Ecology is preparing to select and recommend to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) a preferred alternative for cleaning up ground water contamination in the Colbert Landfill area. Opportunities for public comment on the alternatives are described below.

Colbert Landfill is on EPA's National Priorities List of hazardous waste sites for cleanup under the federal Superfund program. The 40-acre sanitary landfill is located about 15 miles north of Spokane, Washington. Consultants for Ecology have determined the extent and sources of contaminated ground water in the Colbert area. They also have evaluated and ranked alternatives for cleaning up the contamination. The recommended alternative involves extracting and treating the contaminated water and discharging the clean water to a river and a creek. However, a number of technologies are available within this alternative. Ecology's consultants ranked highest the alternative to extract the contaminated ground water, treat it by air stripping (aeration) or oxidation, then discharge the clean water to Little Deep Creek and the Little Spokane River.

Under the recommended alternative, residences would continue to use water supplied by an improved Whitworth water system, or be connected to the system if their water becomes contaminated. The alternative would intercept the contamination at various locations to prevent further migration and contamination. It would supply the public with safe drinking water, prevent further contamination of ground and surface waters, and improve the quality of ground water in some areas. This alternative ranked highest when evaluated for the feasibility of the technology, ability to obtain permission to locate the technology in the area, ability of the technology to meet public health standards, environmental impacts and cost.

Investigation and study reports are available for public review at three locations:

COLBERT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL East 4526 Green Bluff Road Spokane, WA NORTH SPOKANE PUBIC LIBRARY East 44 Hawthorne Road Colbert, WA



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> EASTERN REGIONAL OFFICE DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY North 4601 Monroe, Suite 100 Spokane, WA

phone: 509/456-2926

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

MAY 15, 1987 THROUGH JUNE 5, 1987 Send written comments by June 5 to:

Mr. Fred Gardner Hazardous Waste Cleanup Program Department of Ecology Mail Stop PV-11 Olympia, WA 98504

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PUBLIC MEETING:

MAY 28, 1987, at 7:00 pm To describe the results of the studies, to answer questions, and to offer an opportunity for public comment.

COLBERT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, see above address

You may obtain a fact sheet summarizing the results of the investigation and study by contacting Mr. Fred Gardner at the above address or phone number.

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